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TAGS: PFOR, MILI, PN, PQ

SUBJECT: GOP REQUEST FOR EXTRADITION OF U.S. ARMY DESERTER

REFS: (A) PANAMA 3887; (B) PANAMA 4002

1. ON JUNE 6, EMBASSY RECEIVED FORMAL EXTRADITION REQUEST FOR ALBERTO CUEVAS, U.S. ARMY DESERTER ALLEGED TO HAVE SHOT AND WOUNDED A NATIONAL GUARDSMAN IN INCIDENT DESCRIBED REFTELS.

2. FOREIGN MINISTRY NOTE REFERS TO EXTRADITION AGREEMENT OF 1906 AND AS SPECIFIED BY THAT AGREEMENT TRANSMITS FORMAL REQUEST ADDRESSED TO GOVERNOR OF CANAL ZONE. CHARGE CITED IS CRIMINAL ASSAULT BY CUEVAS AGAINST PANAMANIAN CITIZEN RICARDO VALENENCIA REVOLLEDO (A/K/A MANUEL VALENCIA REVOLLEDO), MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL GUARD.

3. EMBASSY HAS ACKNOWLEDGED RECEIPT AND ADVISED MINISTRY BY NOTE THAT FORMAL REQUEST HAS BEEN TRANSMITTED TO GOVERNOR.

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4. IN RELATED DEVELOPMENT, CHARGE WAS ADVISED BY CHIEF OF STAFF, USSOUTHCOM, THIS AFTERNOON THAT THE DESERTER, CUEVAS, HAD TURNED HIMSELF IN AND IS NOW IN CUSTODY OF AUTHORITIES IN CANAL ZONE. CHIEF OF STAFF STATED THAT CUEVAS HAD ADMITTED TO THEFT OF M-16 RIFLE AND TO SHOOTING AND WOUNDING THE NATIONAL GUARDSMAN.

5. FACT THAT CUEVAS HAS SURRENDERED TO AUTHORITIES WILL

BE MADE PUBLIC ON WOUTHCOM RADIO AND TV NEWS BROADCASTS  
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